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Life.

A correspondent, who is in close touch
with the London Scottish Headquarters in
London, writes of the London Scottish at
the front. As newspapers reports are
mostly imaginary, I may say that a few
days after Mesines (where their actual loss
was 24 out of about 750 engaged—a number
being away on escort and other duties)
they had a week in the trenches, where
they lost sixty-two more and then in com-
bat with the rest of their brigade—in fact
practically all the 1st Army Corps—had
about a month's rest for refitting, etc.
They moved up again on December 20
and since then have been taking their
regular turn. Roughly speaking, the pro-
gramme is forty-eight hours in support,
twenty-four hours in the front trenches,
twenty-four hours in the front trenches
and after three rounds of the above they
get two days rest about eight or ten miles
in rear of the front line. The first
"round" after they got up this time cost
them twelve killed and seventeen wounded
—since then, we have no details.
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supply arrangements. Ever in the front
trenches, where at one point they are
within forty yards of the Germans, they
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26th day of February, 1915, at 5.00 p.m.,
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Court of Directors together with a State-
ment of Accounts to 31st December, 1914.
The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Corporation will be CLOSED from MON-
DAY, the 8th February, to SATURDAY,
the 26th February, 1915, (both days
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By Order of the Court of Directors,
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Chief Manager.
Hongkong, February 3, 1915. 100

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MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be
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11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors together with a
Statement of Accounts for the year ending
31st December, 1914.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from MONDAY
the 22nd February, 1915, until FRIDAY
the 26th February, 1915, both days
inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, Feb. 11, 1915. 136

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN &
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Statement of Accounts and the Report of
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from MONDAY
the 22nd February, 1915, until FRIDAY
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SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, Feb. 13, 1915. 145

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Rome, January 8.—Advises received
here state that the battles on the Tur-
kish-German battle cruiser Goeben were
fought out as a result of rapid steaming
through the Black Sea to the Bosphorus,
and that the vessel received three large
shots in her starboard mechanism, while
her air turret was also severely
damaged. Fifty Germans were killed in
action on the Goeben and 40 of these
were severely wounded in the German
Embassy garden at Constantinople. Two
hundred wounded Germans were treated
on board the vessel.

Athens, January 8.—During the recent
bombardment of the Dardanelles six forts
were put completely out of action.
Paris, January 8.—The French Com-
mission, in its report on Germany's
violation of international law, stated:
"There has never been a war among
civilized nations that has borne such a
savage and ferocious character as that
waged by Germany. Pillage, robbery,
incendiarism, and murder are the only
methods of her progress, denoting an
atrocious retrogression in German civi-
lization since 1870. The outrages on
women and girls were unprecedented,
and soldiers and officers ruthlessly
murdered and killed inoffensive
inhabitants irrespective of age or sex."

The Commission reports that the
most terrible massacres ever committed
in France occurred at Gervilliers, on
the Vosges, on August 24. A number
of Bavarians burst into the houses of
the inhabitants and shot and stabbed
people regardless of age or sex. Over four
hundred houses were destroyed and 50
people were massacred in their homes,
while many nameless offences were com-
mitted. Another horrible butchery oc-
curred at Nemery, in the Meuse de-
partment, where buildings were set on
fire and many occupants who had hidden
in the cellars were shot like rats as they
emerged. Whole families were exter-
minated.

London, January 11.—Speaking to a
representative of the Daily Mail yester-
day a neutral subject, who had been
living constantly in Berlin until recently,
but who is now in London, stated:
"The German generals have definitely
barred the Kaiser from interfering in the
strategy of the campaign. General von
Hindenburg is described as the leader of
a movement to muzzle the War Lord and
to make non-interference a condition for
retaining his command in the East. The
Imperial Chancellor (Dr. von Bethmann-
Hollweg) is accused of having committed
an unpardonable blunder by admitting in
the Reichstag that the invasion of Bel-
gium was a violation of international
law. General Von Kluck's Paris fiasco
is attributed to the Bavarian Crown
Prince's failing to arrive in time with
his army. General Von Moellke was dis-
missed from the command in Belgium
for having allowed the British to escape
from Antwerp."

THE END OF THE KONIGSBERG.
Capt. Willott, of the British steamer
Newbridge, arrived in London yesterday.
He stated to an interviewer that after
the German cruiser Konigsberg fled from
a British squadron on the coast of East
Africa, the British commander took the
Newbridge, and two other steamers, and
sank them across the mouth of the stream
in order to bottle the enemy up. The
Germans skillfully concealed the Konigs-
berg among the palms, and the British
were unable to discover her until they
obtained an aeroplane. The latter un-
earthed the German vessel, and indicated
her position by means of smoke bombs,
with the result that the British warships
shelled and sank her. Capt. Willott be-
lieves that the crew went down with the
Konigsberg.

Rome, January 12.—According to offi-
cial reports Germany has been hastening
preparations on an unprecedented scale.

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for summoning all her reserves, with a
view to making a supreme effort in the
beginning of spring, and also for assuming
the direction of the various campaigns,
including that of Austria against Russia
and Serbia, and Turkey against Russia
and England.

Copenhagen, January 12.—Thousands
of motors have been running from Bel-
gium to Germany, carrying copper fit-
tings, which are to be melted in gun
factories. If necessary, Germany will
break down her own electrical appliances.

Paris, January 12.—The London cor-
respondent of The Times states "Eng-
land's remarkable effort in improving
an army of 500,000 and also supplying
the needs of her armies in Egypt and
Mesopotamia, as well as furnishing the
Allies with everything their industries,
crippled by mobilization or invasion,
have been unable to supply, is a veritable
tour de force which no other country
could have achieved."

THE KATLIEBE REPORTED SUNK.

Montreal, January 13.—Private ad-
vises received here but not yet confir-
med, state that the German cruiser Kat-
liebe was recently sunk in a fight with
British warships off Grenada (one of the
West Indies islands to the north of
Trinidad). The inhabitants of Grenada
witnessed a fight between warships off
the island, and later on they picked up
a considerable quantity of wreckage, in-
cluding a lifeboat bearing the name of
the Katliebe.

Amsterdam, January 13.—While some
German newspapers gravely ask new
readers to believe that London is reduced
to straits, there is generally a marked
change in the tone of the German Press.
Professor Parvial, in an article in the
Colombian Gazette, states: "If Germany
be defeated it will be impossible for her
to pay an indemnity, because her last
man will have fallen exhausted, and
her last penny will have been spent.
This must be made clear to Germany's
enemies."

It is reported at Paris that many
German conscripts deserted after the
battles of the Yser in Belgium. At
Bruges, 11,000 deserted between No-
vember 15 and December 15 across the
Dutch frontier.
Two German submarines yesterday
attempted to enter the harbour
of Dover, but were repulsed by the bat-
teries; and it is reported that both of
them were sunk.
During the Christmas truce in West
Flanders, where British and German sol-
diers held friendly relations for the day,
some of the Saxons said their regrets
had been waiting at Kiel, Germany's
naval port on the Baltic, to embark for
the invasion of England.

GERMANY GETTING SUPPLIES.

Through Neutral Ports.

PREPARATION BEFORE WAR.
Writing from Gothenburg, a special
correspondent of the Stockholm daily
At Germany, years in advance, orga-
nized a system of military espionage in the
countries with which she is now fighting,
so she had emergency commercial campaign
ready. A press on the bottom only was
required, and the whole machinery was in
action. The following observations are not
intended to put any blame upon the
Governments of the Scandinavian coun-
tries: to the best of my knowledge they are
doing everything possible to preserve the
strictest neutrality.
It is no easy matter to get a look behind
the counter of a commercial house. The
doors are closed just as tightly as the
barriers of any Government office. How-
ever, I have managed it, and my examina-
tion certainly leads me to believe that the
commercial war with the object of strangling
Germany will be a long process.
The day the War Lord said "war the
big German bankers despatched their
agents to the various Scandinavian coun-
tries where there are shipping
ports. In accordance with the agents were
instructed to take over the management of
the offices, which until now had limited
their transactions to having a sign-plate
on the door and a registered company.
Now the business was started. Every-
thing which could be obtained in the coun-
tries was purchased. The first proceeding
was to buy all kinds of goods imported
from England, France, and Russia, and
leave the goods which the neutral countries
produced themselves until further notice.
When this was done the agents got all

makers of preserved goods to cook tinned
food for the German armies. Empty tins
were sent from Germany.

FAR-REACHING POLICY.

On September 23, I called: "A big
trade is being done on behalf of Germany
in tinned provisions and foodstuffs, even
to being imported for Germany. It is
surprising that it has taken two months
for the British Government to discover
this fact. But if Old England has been
rather slow the same cannot be said about
the Germans. They had long ago foreseen
the possible difficulties ahead, and cargoes
of tea, rice, coffee, cornmeal, etc., are
therefore, now on the way direct from the
countries of production to Germany via
Scandinavian ports."

But it is not necessary of late for
which Germany is in the market. She also
wants copper, nickel, and rubber, and she
gets them. One firm alone has made
millions in copper shipping. I recently
spoke to one of the crew on a Norwegian
steamer which brought a cargo of salted
herrings to Germany. "Fortunately our
ship was not stopped en route," said the
man, "for below the two first layers of our
innocent herrings we had copper." "But
how is it," I asked, "that you were not
stopped by the British warships?" "Well,"
he answered, "the master is not such a joker
as to follow the route indicated by the
British Admiralty. It is too dangerous."

By turn to Germany's expert trade, it is
by no means brought to an absolute stand-
still although crippled. Germany is daily
exporting huge quantities via Scandinavian
ports. A well-known firm in Hamburg is
open for shipments to any place in China,
Japan, the West Coast of South America,
the West Indies, the North Pacific Coast,
South Africa and Australia. The East
Asiatic Company's ships will take the goods
to any part of the world. New steamship
companies will open a connection. This
company will run a weekly service, New
York-Göteborg-Copenhagen. They have
already three steamers en route and more
to follow. They will all be fully loaded
when they come back. As a matter of fact
the demand for ships is bigger than the
supply.

"Business as usual," said a big Ham-
burg merchant the other day to me, "is
bristling with difficulties. It is almost a
sporting game but there are buckets of
gold in it. You can take it from us that
our business in the Mingling here has no
reason either to grumble. They have made
a roaring trade. Let the English call our
soldiers barbarians, Huns or whatever they
please; that does not matter. But we
shall take it very much amiss if they say
that the Germans as a commercial nation
are fools. We know how to play the
game."

MISSING HEIRS.

People Wanted for Their Own Advantage.

Mr. Sidney H. Preston, writing to
the Press from Chancery Lane, Fleet-
street, on the subject of missing heirs in
1914, says that during this most event-
ful year a very large number of advertise-
ments have been published in the Agency
columns of the press by officials, solici-
tors, and trustees inquiring for missing
heirs and relatives. The war, no doubt,
has been the cause of a considerable in-
crease in the number of these notices.

Among persons inquired for by the
Courts of Chancery are Frederick Beaver,
who emigrated to Canada, and had a case
in one eye, and an artificial leg; Florence
E. Bing, who left England in 1890 with a
theatrical touring company; the relatives
of William Wallace, an innkeeper
at Edinburgh in 1783; Alfred J. Bush,
believed to have been drowned; the
relatives of William Barker, of Beverley,
deceased in 1880; H. J. Runnag, who
in 1856 left England as a cabin boy on
an American ship; J. J. Marriot, who
emigrated in 1874; the relatives of James
Shields, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, who died
in 1873; Herbert W. Wood, a member
of a travelling opera troupe in India;
and Ann and Alexander Ross, who up
to the year 1842 were engaged in litigation.

Many people are wanted for their ad-
vantage. These include S. H. G. Martin,
of Bath, last heard of under an assumed
name on a vessel called The Wandering
Jew; Thomas H. Rees, last heard of as
being on a mercantile ship Carlist; John
D. McIntyre, of Portsmouth, Reading,
Birmingham, Driffield, and other towns;
Edward Gascoigne, sailor, born in Man-
chester in 1840; and Thomas Davis, who
married Sophia H. Chandler in 1870.

The next-of-kin or relatives of the fol-
lowing, among many others, are sought:
—Sir John Milton, formerly accountant-
general at the War Office, who died in
1880; Dr. Peter Chamberlain, royal
physician, deceased in 1893; Lucius
West, of Dublin, who died between 1820
and 1847; George Pratt, tobaccoist of
London, in 1840; William Newson and
Elizabeth Jackson, who married about
1844; Evan and Mary Evans (nee Jones),
of Herefordshire, who married in 1781;
and Ann Paul, who died in a lunatic
asylum in 1888.

In addition long lists of persons who
have died in our Colonies intestate, leav-
ing considerable funds for their unknown
heirs, are issued; the representatives of
shareholders in the West New Jersey
Company, on whose stock no dividends have
been paid since 1892, are again sought;
money is due to the next-of-kin of de-
ceased soldiers and sailors, and many rewards
are offered for missing wills, birth, mar-
riage, and death certificates.

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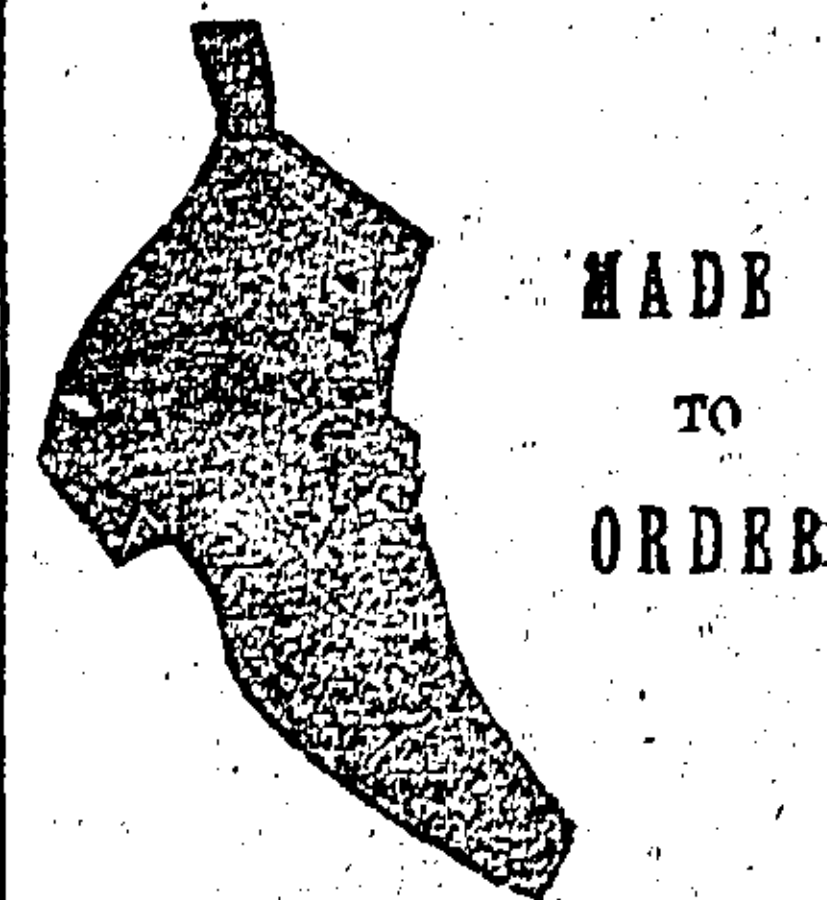
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Hong Kong	8.54		9.44	11.20	2.04					Shum Chun	8.05	10.05	11.35	2.55	4.30	6.15	8.30	8.45	
Yau Ma Tei	6.59		9.50	11.30	2.09		5.22	7.37		Sheung Shui	8.12		11.41	3.01	4.38		6.29		
Sha Tin			10.02	11.48	2.20		5.33			Fan Ling	8.16		11.44	3.05	4.40		6.32	8.53	
Tai Po	7.23		10.22	12.02	2.33		5.46	8.01		Tai Po Market	8.26		11.55	3.15	4.51		6.40		
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Yau Ma Tei	7.36		10.37	12.19	2.46		5.58	8.14		Sha Tin		8.44	12.14		5.10				
Sheung Shui	7.59		10.49	12.22	2.50		6.01	8.18		Yau Ma Tei		8.56	12.27	3.49	5.23		6.29		
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Canton	11.20			0.05		6.33				Kowloon	9.05	10.45	12.34	3.58	5.30	6.55	7.08	9.34	9.47

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

10 a.m.—Prize Distribution by Lady May at Park School.

6.30 p.m.—Smoking Concert at Diocesan Boys' School.

General Memoranda

SATURDAY, February 20—

Princess Royal's Birthday (1867).

11.30 a.m.—Annual Meeting of Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co. Ltd.

Noon—Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Meeting.

9 p.m.—Smoking Concert at the Phoenix Club.

SATURDAY, Feb 20 & SUNDAY, Feb. 21—

R. H.K. Yacht Club Championship Race.

MONDAY, February 22—

Washington's Birthday.

MON. 22, TUES. 23 & WED. Feb. 24—

Hongkong Jockey Club Race Meeting.

TUESDAY, February 23—

Entries close for the Annual Flower and Vegetable Show.

THURSDAY, Feb 25 & FRIDAY, Feb. 26—

2.30 p.m.—Action of Valuable Old Chinese Porcelain, Bronzes, Carved Ivory etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

FRIDAY, February 26—

Settling Day on the H.K. Stock Exchange.

11.30 a.m.—Annual Meeting of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co. Ltd.

MONDAY, March 1—

St. David's Day.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The milk despatched per s.s. "Chiyo Maru" on January 5 was delivered in New York on the 7th instant.

We are asked to state that the prizes will be distributed at the Park School tomorrow at 10 a.m., instead of 11 a.m., as previously arranged. Lady May has kindly consented to distribute them.

The Bishop of Victoria will give a course of three Lent Lectures at St. Paul's College at 10.45 a.m. on the 19th and 20th inst., and on 5th prox. Subject: The Epistle to the Church of Laodicea Rev. III 14-22.

Amongst recent condemnations in the Prize Court at Hong Kong has been a valuable cargo of oak logs shipped on behalf of a German firm at Yokohama on board the British ship Pelica, and consigned to Glasgow, but for which the consignees had not paid.

The following are amongst recent contributions to the National Relief Fund:—Singapore and the Straits Settlements, £23,000; British subjects resident on the East Coast of Sumatra (second contribution), £370; British ladies of Manila, Philippine Islands, £200.

What is believed to be a serious outbreak of cholera has occurred on board the s.s. Miami Maru, which arrived in the harbour yesterday from Saigon. Five men were apparently attacked by the disease and one has since died. The others have been removed to the Government Civil Hospital. An examination was made on the vessel's arrival by Dr. Lindsay Wood, the Medical Officer of the Port.

A Chilean gentleman writing to a friend at Southampton regarding the naval action in the Pacific says:—"All Chileans have been very much upset by the result of the recent battle. The German rendering no assistance to the two English ships, Grand Hope and Monmouth, and their crews perished miserably. They gave the excuse of bad weather and a dark night. When the Chilean authorities knew the fact it was too late, and the ship they sent to cover the spot found no trace of the ships or their crews."

The Imperial Merchant Service Guild having made certain submissions on the matter to the Admiralty are now informed by the Lord Commissioners of the Admiralty that it has been decided to increase the pay of Lieut. Commanders, "Royal Naval Reserve, from 10 to 13 per cent, i.e. the minimum rate of full pay of a Lieut. Commander R.N. This will be applicable only to officers of the permanent rank of Lieut. Commander who have been granted eight years seniority as Lieutenants. The increase will take effect from 1st August inst.

The whereabouts of the captain of the Emden seem to be still the subject of speculation and as mystical as the elusiveness of his vessel before her fate was sealed at Cocos, Keeling. The other day he was in on Wales; now a correspondent, writing of matters at Malta, says: "The only excitement or the incarceration of the hero of the Emden is worn away. As for the gallant captain, I hear that he is settling down to his prison life in Malta, and is beginning to take part in the entertainments which the German prisoners are allowed to organize. He has even consented to act as chairman for their amateur grand opera committee."

A particularly audacious "knatcher" was sentenced this morning by Mr. Wood to a year's imprisonment, four hours' stocks and 24 strokes with the birch. Prisoner, it was stated, while in Queen's Road station, approached a Chinese lady and with great violence wrenched a bangle from her wrist and commenced to run. A cry was raised and the thief was caught by a constable and Daniel O'Connell, an interpreter. The latter declared that he saw the defendant throw something that glittered over his shoulder when he was seized. Prisoner told the Magistrate that he stopped to pick up a silver bangle when he heard a shout. He then threw the bangle into the gutter. He ran because he was frightened. The Police had a suspicion that a silver bangle found on the prisoner had been stolen from a baby's arm, but failing to find a claimant that charge was not proceeded with.

THE MOTOR CAR AUCTION.

The 40 h.p. four cylinder Limousine car, built by Soudard Dayton, "with seating accommodation for six persons and in perfect running order," was duly put up to auction by Messrs. Hughes and Hough this afternoon, for the benefit of the Prince of Wales Fund, the Belgian Relief Fund and the Tobacco and Cigarette Funds.

There was a fair attendance. Bidding started at £300 and rose by bids of \$100 to \$2500. As there was no advance on this figure the car was withdrawn, the reserved price not having been reached.

A FORTY YEARS' TEST.

CHAMBERLAIN'S Cough Remedy has been curing coughs and colds for the past forty years. It is a sure cure for all coughs, whether they be dry, or with phlegm, or whooping. What better recommendation is required? For sale by all Chemists and Dispensaries.

TRAINING NOTES.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A very open Derby is the general opinion of the critics, and even our expert checkers, who by the way far far too much on the watch and not enough on the style of the gallop, are in a quandary. At the commencement of the training season I pinned my faith to the Ellis Kaleria stable and so far I have no desire or thought of changing my opinion. I should very much like to see the stable jockey, Mrs. Moller, up on both English and Australian Chieftains and see how they shaped for him but in my opinion English Chieftain is a big lazy pony and will just suit Mr. Moller's vigorous style of horsemanship. Lochmaben has at last been put over the Derby distance and culminated in grand style, putting in a rattling finish. He is a little pony, but has the gift of going. That the Sir Paul stable holds a strong hand goes without saying, they having three ponies all capable of doing the distance, and are all fully qualified as Derby candidates. The first day's racing however will tell practically which ponies will start for the "Blue Ribbon" event.

The long distance pony racing should see some grand sport and finishes. Annapolis, Dreadnought, Dublin, Neptune, and some others will be the fancied candidates. Alwaych the last year's unbeaten sub. is going to produce class form and I should not at all be surprised to see this pony Sir Paul's Champion candidate, Annum, who won two races in Shanghai last autumn, coming right from the rack and finishing gamely, is also a pony to be reckoned with up to a mile and a quarter. The sub. still keep about the same. Soldier, Sailor, Baroda Chief, Thurlston, Winning Hazard and Turzum being about the best; but non-winning sub. for the last two years, who are allowed in certain races, must not be overlooked. I refer to Rosario and Lawrence, who should both obtain winning brackets during the meeting.

WINNING POST.

The going this morning was on the heavy side on the grass, and slightly faster on the sand. The times of the few gallops done—were as follows:—

Annum Ha (Geege), 3, 4, 35.2, 1.00.1,

1.42.1, last 1.38.

Rosario (boy), 1, 1, 1.10, 32, 1.13,

1.45, 2.17; last 1.32.

Hadium II. (Pope), 1, 1, 43, 1.27,

2.04, 2.11; last 1.38.3, 4.32.4, 3.21.4,

3.14.

Minebottle (Sedgewick), 1, 1, 1.10, 1, 37,

1.14, 1.48.4, 2.23; last 1.34.1.

Fijon Chief (Moller), 1, 1, 36.3, 1.11,

1.48, 2.24, 2.54.3; last 1.39.4. Borneo

Chief lined last three-quarters.

Lol (Johnston), 1 mile last 4, 1, 36,

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Lorenzo (Pope) and Turzum (MacG.),

1 mile, 4, 39, 1.15.3, 1.41, 2.21.3; last

1.32.2 (finished well).

Kukri (Knoll), half, 4, 34.4, 1.04.2;

last 1.29.3 (good style and finish).

Australian Chief (Moller), 1, 1, 37,

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(finished easy, not ridden out).

Josh Mighty (Geege) and Thurlston

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THE HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

The Board of Directors of this Company will present the following report at the Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders, to be held at the Company's Hotel, on the 27th instant:—

To the Shareholders of the Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited, Gentlemen:—
The Directors beg to submit their Report for the Half Year ended 31st December, 1914.

The Profit on Working Account amounted to \$40,018.01 as compared with \$79,608.70 for the corresponding period of 1913, being a decrease of \$39,590.69.

The Profit and Loss Account, including the sum of \$12,385.55 brought forward from 30th June, 1914, shows a credit balance of \$58,654.34 which the Directors recommend should be apportioned as follows:—

To pay a dividend of \$2.50 per share on 20,000 Shares, \$50,000.00

To write off Furniture and Fixtures Account, 10,000.00

To write off Steam Launch, 1,000.00

To carry forward to Next Account, 27,654.34

\$88,654.34

The Company's properties were valued by Messrs. Palmer and Turner on August 23rd, 1914 at \$2,314,215.00.

The market value of the Shares held by the Company on 31st December 1914 was \$2,021.00.

Mr. F. Mainland retires by rotation, but offers himself for re-election.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. A. R. Lowe, C.A., and A. O. Gordin.

Messrs. A. R. Lowe and A. O. Gordin offer themselves for re-election.

FRANCIS MATTIAND,
Chairman.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1915.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, FOR THE SECOND HALF YEAR 1914.

To Bad and Doubtful Debts, \$1,113.46

By Balance from 30th June, 1914, \$42,535.55

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BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE PROGRESS OF THE WAR.

GERMANS CLAIM TO HAVE HEAVILY DEFEATED THE RUSSIANS.

IMPORTANT DESPATCH FROM SIR JOHN FRENCH.

TALL STORY FROM BERLIN.

London, Feb. 17, 12.20 p.m.

A telegram from Amsterdam states that a Berlin communiqué says that the nine days' winter battle on the Masurian Lakes has resulted in the Russian Tenth Army of eleven infantry and several cavalry divisions being thrown across the frontier.

The communiqué claims that the Russians were almost encircled and severely beaten and that those remaining escaped to a forest to the east of Suwalki and Augustowo. Many Russians were killed and a number of prisoners taken has not yet been ascertained, but "it is surely over fifty thousand with forty guns and sixty machine guns and much war material." The Kaiser attended the decisive battle, and our troops—old Easterns with young troops, especially allotted to this task—proved equal to their old comrades despite very adverse weather.

General von Hindenburg directed the operations, which were carried out splendidly by Generals Eichhorn and Rupprecht.

THE RUSSIAN VERSION.

London, Feb. 17, 2.55 a.m.

A Petrograd communiqué says:—The Russians on the 15th inst., obstinately fought superior German forces which were trying to surround the two Russian wings in the vicinity of Augustowo. The enemy column advancing from Gudowo to Osowiec. The enemy has reached the front formed by Plock and Raciszew, between the Vistula and the Skwa rivers.

The situation in the Carpathians is essentially unchanged. We repulsed determined German attacks at Rozumowka and Wyschokow. The enemy captured Nadworna and has crossed the Sereth river in Bukhovina.

ON THE FRANCO-BELGIAN FRONT.

STRUGGLE CONTINUING STUBBORNLY.

London, Feb. 15, 6.05 p.m.

Today's Paris communiqué says:—There have been uninterrupted artillery engagements on the dunes. We carried 150 metres of trench between Bethune and La Bassée.

There were intermittent cannonades further southward. The struggle continues most stubbornly at Bagatelle and Marie Theres, from trench to trench. The enemy succeeded in occupying the Beacon and the hamlet of Norroy, but was repulsed by a counter-attack as far as the slopes northward of the Beacon, where he has still maintained himself in some portions of trenches.

The German movement at Lauch was not pursued further. The Germans are remaining stationary before our advance along the line between Langenfeldkopf and Nempachwood.

Our skiers effected a most brilliant counter-attack on the slopes of Langenfeldkopf. A blizzard is now raging.

SUCCESSFUL ARTILLERY WORK.

London, Feb. 16, 1.40 a.m.

The Paris evening communiqué states:—There have been only some successful actions by our artillery.

The enemy battery at Poelcapelle, north-east of Ypres, was silenced. German trenches at Bearraire, south Arras, were destroyed, along with the enemy's works, and parties of Germans were shelled in the vicinity of Perthes.

BRITISH RE-CAPTURE TRENCHES.

To-day's Paris communiqué states:—

The British have re-captured two portions of the trenches which they lost the previous day between St. Eliot and the Ypres Canal.

The day was calm on the French front. No infantry actions are reported.

The important success of our artillery have been confirmed.

FAVOURABLE OPERATIONS ALONG ENTIRE FRONT.

London, Feb. 17, 1.45 a.m.

The Paris evening communiqué says:—The operations on the 15th inst. were favourable to us along the whole front.

There was an artillery duel in Belgium.

The British to the south of Ypres are in possession of a certain number of trenches where there has been sharp fighting during the past two days.

Between the Oise and the Aisne, near Bailly, our artillery effectively bombarded convoys and gatherings of troops. We progressed in the Rheims sector or near Loivre. We captured three kilometres of trenches and several hundred prisoners to the north-west of Perthes. To the north of Beau Sejour, in Champagne, there were infantry actions. In Argonne, between Four de Paris and B. uresilles, fighting continues favourably.

We captured several blockhouses in Bois le Pretre, north-west of Pont-a-Mousson.

LATEST DESPATCH FROM SIR JOHN FRENCH.

THE OPERATIONS SINCE NOVEMBER.

London, Feb. 16, 7.00 p.m.

The Official Press Bureau issued to-night a despatch from the British Commander in Chief (Field-Marshal Sir John French), dated the 2nd February, covering operations since the middle of November. The despatch says that the salient feature was the presence of His Majesty in the field, which was of the greatest help and encouragement to the troops after the long and arduous battle of Ypres-Arras. Bad weather throughout had seriously influenced the operations, which had been confined to minor engagements, there being only a few notable combats. It was noticed that at the beginning of December there was a reduction in the enemy's artillery and cavalry, but no great diminution in infantry holding the trenches.

The concentration of the Indian Corps was completed on the 7th December by the arrival of the Sirhind Brigade from Egypt. In consequence of indications that the enemy had withdrawn considerable forces, a combined Franco-British attack was delivered on the 14th December in the region of Wytschate. Heavy losses were inflicted on the Germans, but the Allies retired to their original positions finding that those captured were untenable.

The most important feature of the despatch centre in the fighting around Givency, where the commander-in-chief decided to take the advantage of what appeared to be a favourable opportunity to launch attacks on the 18th and 19th December. The Meerut and Lahore Divisions had initial successes, but they were eventually compelled to evacuate the captured trenches. The Germans on the 20th December assumed the offensive, capturing part of Givency.

BY TELEGRAPH.

A most desperate struggle ensued, British and French coming to the support of the Indians, and re-establishing practically the old lines, on the evening of the 22nd December.

The Field-Marshal says that the Indian troops have fought with the utmost steadiness and gallantry whenever called upon.

Abnormally bad weather precluded active operations for the first three weeks in January. Then, until the end of the month, there was heavy hand-to-hand fighting in the vicinity of Bethune and Givency. The Germans penetrated our lines in some places, but were eventually repulsed everywhere with the heaviest loss.

The Commander of the First Division describes the British artillery fire as splendid and of absolute precision.

The Field-Marshal says that the Corps Commanders are unanimous in praise of the Territorials and Yeomanry forming part of nearly all the Brigades in the first line, and declares that the troops in France have been subjected to the severest strain possible. Nevertheless the spirit remained high and confident.

Their health was excellent, and the appearance of the men, if somewhat worn, was nevertheless soldier-like and splendid.

Sir John French particularly mentions the fine appearance of the 27th and 28th Divisions composed principally of battalions from India, and including Princess Patricia's Regiment of Canadians, and also commends highly the work of the Army Medical Corps, the splendid sanitation, and the excellent services of the Royal Engineers.

The Commander-in-Chief concludes:—"I have no reason to modify in any material degree the views expressed in my last despatch of the general situation." Sir John French again gratefully acknowledges the valuable help and support of Generals Foch, Duxbury, and Mauchay, of the French Army.

CANADIANS ARRIVE SAFELY IN FRANCE.

London, Feb. 17.

A telegram from Ottawa says that Sir R. L. Borden, the Premier, read in the House of Commons a telegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies (Mr. Lewis Harcourt) announcing that the Canadian contingent had landed safely in France.

COUNT BERNSTORFF.

London, Feb. 16.

A message from Washington stated that it is untrue that Count Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, has been summoned home.

FIELD-MARSHAL'S BI-WEEKLY BULLETIN.

RECENT OPERATIONS.

London, Feb. 16, 7.30 p.m.

The Official Press Bureau to-night published Field-Marshal Sir John French's first bi-weekly bulletin. It affirms that since the successes at La Bassée there had been less activity. Nevertheless further progress at a valuable point was secured without loss on the 13th inst. We consolidated the ground gained. The enemy's losses were severe.

The enemy attacked in the Ypres region on the 14th inst., and took a few trenches, which were recovered by counter-attacks, we capturing prisoners.

There has been elsewhere along the front increased artillery duelling. Our superiority was marked, direct hits being secured in several instances on the enemy's guns, and much damage done to his defences. Our aeroplanes displayed their usual activity, despite the weather. One airman exploded a German ammunition wagon near La Bassée.

THE "WILHELMINA."

STATEMENT BY HER OWNERS.

London, Feb. 16, 3.50 p.m.

A message from Washington announces that the State Department, yesterday, sent the Ambassador in London evidence submitted by the owners of the *Wilhelmina's* cargo for the purpose of proving that the cargo was not subject to seizure.

The State Department also suggests that unless Great Britain has sufficient grounds, which hitherto have not been advanced, for acting otherwise, the ship should be permitted to proceed immediately with the cargo to her destination (Hamburg).

It is also stated that the owners have satisfied the State Department that the cargo was not intended for the German Army or Government.

MORE GERMAN PIRACY.

BRITISH STEAMER SUNK.

London, Feb. 19.

Lloyds reports that the British steamer *Dulwich*, bound for Rouen, has been blown up off Antifer. There were two successive explosions.

The crew were uninjured and took to the lifeboat.

The *Dulwich* belonged to the British Steamship Co., Ltd., and was built at Stockton in 1893. She was of 3289 gross tonnage.—Ed.

BLIND BEGGAR'S DEATH.

WHAT A "BLIND" WITNESS SAW!

A remarkable trial opened at Criminal Sessions this morning before the Chief Justice (Sir William Rice Davies) all the people concerned in it, including the principal witnesses were blind, or bordering on blindness, and some of them deaf.

The prisoner, an elderly man named Cheung Yau, was indicted for the manslaughter of Cheung Fuk a blind beggar, at Kowloon City.

The Attorney-General, Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, prosecuted, and the prisoner was defended.

The following jury was sworn: Messrs G. J. Sequeira, C. M. Sequeira, D. C. de la Cruz, A. de la Cruz, Fritz Rapp, Ellis Sargan.

The Attorney-General, addressing the jury, explained that there were degrees of manslaughter, some cases bordering on murder, and others being little more than accidents. The penalties varied with the degree of criminality of the prisoner; but neither of these things concerned the jury who only had to say whether a crime was committed, and whether the prisoner committed it. This particular case appeared to the Crown not to be a very serious one from the point of view of the criminality of the prisoner.

The prisoner lived at Kowloon City with a blind man, the deceased, and a blind woman, all of them being beggars. On the afternoon of January 18 prisoner and deceased quarrelled in their house at Kowloon City. Prisoner said somebody had stolen some of his things and deceased apparently took the accusation as applying to him. Then the blind man, who said he had one per cent of sight left, heard a noise of something being struck. He spoke to prisoner, who answered him, and then they both went to the police station. In consequence of what they said the police went to the house and found Cheung Fuk lying on the floor in a pool of blood, unconscious. He was removed to the Government Civil Hospital where he died the same night.

Dr. Moore said that when deceased was admitted to the Hospital, his skull was fractured and his brain lacerated. The injuries were consistent with his having been struck with the piece of iron gas piping produced in court. Considerable force must have been used and at least three blows were struck.

The old man, who described himself as being 50 per cent blind gave evidence. He said the prisoner struck Cheung Fuk with an iron bar, but when the bar was shown to him he could not see it at a greater distance than one foot. The prisoner accused deceased of stealing 85 from him. After

SPORTING.

Hongkong Cricket Club.

The following team will represent the Civil Servants in their match against the Hongkong Cricket Club next Saturday, play commencing at 2 o'clock:—R. E. O. Bird, Hon. Mr. O. Severn, G. R. Snyder, C. D. Martyn, F. Burton, F. J. de Rome, B. D. Evans, R. O. Witherell, R. O. Barlow, P. T. Lambie and A. O. Brown.

ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Hongkong Electric Light Co.	\$250
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co.	100
Hughes and Hough	10
C. E. Warren & Co.	10
Kelly & Walsh	10
Donnelly & Whyte	10
J. M. Alves & Co.	10

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)

REPORTED REVOLUTION IN KOREA.

Peking, Feb. 16.

It is reported that a serious revolution has broken out in Korea.

MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

The following Ministerial changes are expected to take place shortly: Chow-Ho Kih to take the Finance Department, Cuk Kai Kim or Yang Shi Ki to the Board of Communications, and Chow Chi Chai to be Governor of Szechuan in place of Liang Tun Yui, who is probably going abroad.

JAPAN'S DEMANDS.

Peking, Feb. 17.

It is reported that owing to the national feeling and the unfavourable opinions of the American, Russian, and German press, Japan has withdrawn her demands and substituted others.

It is stated that the Cantonese and Fukien merchants in Japan have passed "patriotic resolutions" in connection with Japan's attitude.

A PRESIDENTIAL "INVITATION."

The President has invited Tong Shao Yi and Dr. Wu Ting Fang to Peking. The latter has not yet replied.

THE ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY.

Another large audience, which included H.E. the Governor, Lady May and the Misses May, was present at the Theatre Royal last evening when the ever popular "Cavalleria Rusticana" and "I Pagliacci" were staged. Both operas were very ably rendered, principals and chorus singing their respective parts most satisfactorily, and the famous *Intermezzo* received very skillful handling by the orchestra, ably conducted by Signor Silex. The equally famous "Trovatore" was also splendidly rendered. Mr. Scanzani being vociferously applauded for his particularly fine rendering. Both as "Tonio" in this opera and as Alfio in the *Macbeth* play, Mr. Scanzani revealed great talent as a vocalist and actor. Mlle. Visini appeared in both plays, as Lina in the first and as Nedda in the second. Both her singing and acting were delightful, and she won rounds of well-merited applause. Mr. Attino gave a magnificent account of himself as Canio and also performed the part of Turiduso in "Cavalleria Rusticana" very ably. Mlle. Turiduso's singing in this play—in the part of Santuzza—was also very highly appreciated.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Orders by Major D. Macdonald.

PRIVATE ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS.

O. C.s Companies and Sections are requested to send lists of these, corrected to date, to Headquarters as soon as possible.

DRESS.

Putties (with shorts or trousers) are to be worn at all parades.

PARADES.

Parades for Friday, 19th instant Nil.

Orderly Officer, Lieut. Wall.

Orderly Sergeant, Sergt. Bullock.

To-morrow Guard to-morrow, Civil Service Company.

To-morrow Guard to-morrow, Right Section M. G. Co.

SERVING HIS COUNTRY.

A Juror Excused.

Sapper Blackburn, of the Hongkong Volunteer Engineer Co., who was called to serve on a jury at the Criminal Sessions this morning, asked the Chief Justice if he might be excused as he was working two nights out of three on the searchlights.

The Chief Justice, addressing the Attorney-General, said it appeared that Mr. Blackburn (who was in uniform) was on duty in the interests of his country at night, and he thought it was a sufficient ground for excuse.

The Attorney-General agreed, and Mr. Blackburn was excused.

A MALAY SULTAN'S LOYALTY.

The following is the translation of a letter from His Highness the Sultan of Selangor to His Excellency the High Commissioner of the Federated Malay States, dated Nov. 19, 1914:—

With reference to the war which is now being waged between the British, Russian, and French Governments on one side, and the German and Austrian Governments on the other, and in which the Turkish Government has entered on the side of the enemy, I have the honour to inform my friend that, although the Sultan of Turkey is of the same religion as myself, my Government has absolutely no concern with the Government of Turkey, and that I, my chiefs, and all the people of my country are loyal to the British Government.

I am deeply thankful to the God of all the world for the prosperity and peace which my country has enjoyed since it came under the protection of the British Government, and I pray that the British may be victorious in the present war, and that God may shower His blessings upon the King on the Throne.

I have issued an Order to all the people living in my country enjoining them to entertain no evil intentions against the British Government.

(Signed) Sultan of Selangor.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

ARMED ROBBERIES.

The February Criminal Sessions opened in the Supreme Court this morning, there being five cases on the calendar with seven prisoners. Five prisoners were charged with armed robbery, one with manslaughter, and one with larceny.

A MIRS BAY ROBBERY.

Tsang Fat, Li Fuk and Cheung Sa Fat were charged before Mr. Justice Gompertz in the second court with committing an armed robbery at Hung Shek Mun village, Mira Bay, on Jan. 28.

The following jury was sworn: Messrs C. D. Sullivan (foreman), A. J. W. Ross, B. Wong Tapa, Charles Han John Stalker, F. A. Barnard, James Reid.

The Crown Solicitor, addressing the jury, said that it was alleged that the three prisoners, fishermen, robbed a man and his wife who were also fisher people. Late at night four men, two carrying torches and the other two arms, attacked the house, broke open the door and carried away money and ornaments. The evidence of identification was not very strong against the prisoners, except that they were very well known to the persons robbed, and to the villagers. Mr. Chin Tang, the fisherman whose house was robbed, would say that he knew the prisoners very well, and that they were three of the four robbers. After ransacking the house the robbers escaped in a boat, and villagers gave chase in two other boats. One of two of them would say that they knew them. The prisoners were found guilty and were discharged.

ROBBERY AND WOUNDING. Chan Shum was charged, in the first court with assault and attempt to commit a robbery at Yau-mai, and unlawfully wounding a woman with a knife. He pleaded not guilty to the first charge and guilty to the second.

The Attorney-General, who prosecuted, addressing the jury said that the reason the prisoner gave for his act was one that if true would reduce it to one of very much less gravity than if he did it as the Crown alleged, with intent to rob. The prisoner went to a house at Yau-mai to see the girl and during his visit tried to take her bangles from her wrist. The girl objected, and the prisoner cut her with a knife over the eye. The prisoner said that he lent the girl some money and as she refused to return it he went out and bought a knife, with which he scratched her in the heat of passion. The Attorney-General commented that if prisoner's story were true his passion was of long duration.

Dr. Moore described the wound which was over the right eye as being two inches long and one and a half inches deep, and could have been inflicted with the knife produced (a big old bladed weapon). The woman would have a permanent scar.

The woman said she went out to a feast during the evening, and when she took her fancy clothes from her chest of drawers prisoner searched them. She remonstrated with prisoner and he desisted. Later on he tried to take her bangles, and cut her eye. Other inmates of the house came to her assistance and caught the prisoner. She had never seen him before.

Another girl living in the house stated that she went to the assistance of the complainant and prisoner struck her, blacking her eye.

In statements to the police and the police magistrate prisoner admitted that he assaulted the woman but said that he lost his temper because she refused to return to him \$50 which he gave her to keep for him.

The jury after a short retirement found prisoner not guilty on the first count but on the second count they unanimously found him guilty and his Lordship sentenced him to twelve months' imprisonment.

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I am, Sir, Your obedient servant, (Signed) T. W. Moore Secretary.

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